

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. Claims 28-33, 35-38, and 40-47 are pending in the application. Claims 28-33, 35-38, and 40-47 are rejected, but allowed over the prior art of record. Claims 28, 35, and 40 are independent.

Applicants thank Examiner Opsasnick for his consideration in the telephone call of July 17, 2009, in which rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101 were discussed.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 28-33, 35-38, and 40-47 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Action rejects claims 28-33, 35-38, and 40-47 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 28, 35, and 40 are amended so that the claimed methods are tied to a particular machine and therefore recite statutory subject matter. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested.

Interview Request

If the claims are not found by the Examiner to be allowable, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney to set up an interview to discuss this application.

Conclusion

The claims in their present form should be allowable. Such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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